IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

SAM HARRIS,

Plaintiff,

v.

Civil Action No.: 5:06cv148 (Chief Judge Keeley)

GENERAL ELECTRIC CAPITAL
CORPORATION and CITICAPITAL
COMMERCIAL LEASING CORPORATION
f/k/a/ ASSOCIATES COMMERCIAL CORPORATION,
Defendants.

OPINION/ORDER

This matter is before the undersigned United States Magistrate Judge pursuant to "Defendant's Motion to Stay State Court Discovery Until the Pending Motion for Protective Order is Decided" [DE 6] and Defendant's "Response" thereto [DE 9]. This matter was referred to the undersigned by United States District Judge Irene M. Keeley by Order dated January 16, 2007 [DE 13].

For reasons apparent to the Court, "Defendant's Motion to Stay State Court Discovery Until the Pending Motion for Protective Order is Decided" [DE 6] is **GRANTED**. The Court also tolls Plaintiff's deadline for filing any Motion to Compel regarding the discovery at issue until the Motion for Protective Order is decided.

It is so **ORDERED**.

Dated: January 17, 2007.

s John S. Kaull

JOHN S. KAULL UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE